



Spinney Pre-School Death of a Child on the Pre School Premises Policy

Identifying

- If it is suspected that a child has died in the setting, emergency resuscitation will be given to the child by a qualified Paediatric First Aider until the ambulance arrives. We also have a Defibrillator that we can use.
- Only a medical practitioner can confirm a child has died.

Informing

- The Supervisor ensures emergency services have been contacted; ambulance and police.
- The parents are contacted and asked to come to the setting immediately, informing them that there has been an incident involving their child and that an ambulance has been called; asking them to come straight to the setting or hospital as appropriate.
- The Supervisor calls the Chairperson and informs them of what has happened.
- The Deputy is delegated to phone all parents to collect their children. The reason given must be agreed by the Supervisor and the information given should be the same to each parent.
- The decision on how long the setting will remain closed will be based on police advice.
- Ofsted are informed of the incident by the Chairperson and a RIDDOR report is made.
- Staff will not discuss the death of a child with the press.
- Staff will not discuss the death of a child with other Parents/Carers.

Responding

- The Committee/Trustees will decide how the death is investigated within the organisation after taking advice from relevant agencies.
- The Committee/Trustees will coordinate support for staff and children to ensure their mental health and well-being.

This Policy was adopted at a meeting of the Pre-School held on (date) _____

Signed on behalf of the Pre-School _____